

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A method for powderizing a non-saccharide ingredient(s) comprising the steps of:

mixing said non-saccharide ingredient(s) with a saccharide-derivative(s) of α , α -trehalose; and powderizing the resulting mixture.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said non-saccharide ingredient(s) is a hydrophobic or hydrophilic substance.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said hydrophobic substance is one selected from the group consisting of processed stockbreedings, marine products or agricultural products, flavors, colorings lipids, emulsifiers, functional substances, organic solvents, and agrichemical emulsions.

4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said hydrophilic substance is one selected from the group consisting of processed stockbreedings, marine products and agricultural products; flavors, colorings, and functional substances.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~any one of~~ ~~claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, wherein said saccharide-derivative(s) of α , α -trehalose is one constructed by binding momo-glucosyl or di-glucosyl residue with at least one glucosyl residue in α , α -trehalose molecule.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~any one of~~ ~~claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein said saccharide-derivative(s) of α , α -trehalose is a saccharide having a trehalose structure as an end of the molecule.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~any one of~~ ~~claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, wherein said saccharide-derivative(s) of α , α -trehalose is in an amorphous form.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~any one of~~ ~~claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, comprising a step of allowing a

saccharide-derivative(s) of α , α -trehalose to incorporate into a powdery composition in an amount of 5% (w/w) to the total weight of the powdery composition, on a dry solid basis.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~any one of~~ claims 1 to 8 claim 1, wherein said method for powderizing is a spray-drying method.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~any one of~~ claims 1 to 9 claim 1, comprising a step of powderizing an emulsion mixture containing emulsifier and water with a non-saccharide ingredient(s).

11. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~any one of~~ claims 1 to 10 claim 1, wherein said powdery composition obtainable by the method is one selected from the group consisting of foods, beverages, cosmetics, medicated cosmetics, pharmaceuticals, and industrial chemicals, their materials and intermediates.

12. (Currently Amended) A powdery composition comprising a non-saccharide ingredient(s) produced by the method of ~~any one of~~ claims 1 to 11 claim 1.

13. (Original) A base for powderizing a non-saccharide ingredient(s), comprising a saccharide-derivative(s) of α , α -trehalose as an effective ingredient(s).

14. (Original) A method for powderizing a non-saccharide ingredient(s), comprising a step of powderizing a mixture comprising a non-saccharide ingredient(s) and the base for powderizing of claim 13.